

Small business is the engine that drives this Nation, producing 75 percent of new jobs, accounting for almost 98 percent of all employers and 53 percent of the private work force.

It is our small businesses that will continue to lead us to economic recovery.

In particular, small tech businesses are on the front lines of the digital revolution. They have led the way in advances from broadband deployment to software development.

My state of Texas ranks second nationally in high tech workers, employing more than 411,000 with an annual payroll of about \$25 billion. Many of those employees are working for small businesses.

And my new congressional district contains thousands of small, innovative high tech centered businesses.

One such company is Security Broadband in Austin. Security Broadband was founded in 1999 and already has over 100 employees.

Security Broadband uses real-time audio and video via highspeed cable Internet to provide security for homes.

If there's an emergency, the Security Broadband system sends audio and video signals to a central monitoring station. Personnel use this information to help verify whether an actual emergency exists. With 95 percent of home alarm incidents not genuine, law enforcement officials spend a large amount of time responding to false alarms. In case of an actual emergency, audio and video capability provides information that can help make the scene safer for responding officers.

Customers also can view their homes and see and talk with family via the Internet when away from home.

Security Broadband is just one of the thousands of small technology businesses around the country connecting rural America, developing next generation hardware and software, and keeping America on the forefront of technological advances.

TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN JOSEPH A. PARISEAU

HON. DUNCAN HUNTER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 8, 2002

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to give recognition to the extraordinary life of Captain Joseph A. Pariseau who, at the age of 82, passed away on February 23, 2002.

Joe was born March 19, 1919, in Franklin, MA, the son of a baker. Nurtured by a loving family of seven, Joe spent a happy childhood in Attleboro, MA, excelling in sports like the other Pariseau boys. He attended Providence College on a football scholarship, graduating in 1941 with a degree in Philosophy.

After earning his Navy wings in 1942, Joe was assigned to VP-63, flying combat missions based from Wales, Gibraltar and North Africa, patrolling for German submarines. Other career highlights include Flight Ordnance Test Pilot with VX-5, Fleet Air Gunnery Unit (precursor to Top Gun) in 1958, Aide to Admiral Wendell Switzer, an icon in Naval Aviation, evaluation of the first U.S. angled carrier deck on USS *Antietam* and Air Boss on

the USS *Ranger*. He served as Commanding Officer of Fighter Squadron VF-53, Carrier Early Warning Wing 12 and NAS Chase Field.

During his distinguished career, Joe flew over 40 aircraft types. His many Naval honors include the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal, Presidential Unit Citation with star, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with two stars, and the Meritorious Service Medal for his work as Project Manager for the Navy's billion dollar E-2C Hawkeye aircraft project.

After his 30-year career as a Naval Aviator, the "Flying Frenchman" (his aviator call sign) retired to manage his ranch in Beeville, TX, for 31 years. Joe was married to Mary D. Lassiter of New York, until her death in 1960. He married Anna Claire Heard of Beeville, TX, in 1965. They remained devoted to each other and married for 36 years until her death on February 13, 2002.

Joe is survived by his daughter, Paige Pariseau Ochenrider of Whitefish, MT; son Robert R. Pariseau and wife Laurie of San Antonio, TX; brother Roland Pariseau; sister, Lucille Pariseau, both of Attleboro, MA; grandchildren Michael Pariseau of Mountain View, CA, Stacey Lowrance of Tacoma, WA, and Mark Ochenrider of Seattle, WA; and great grandchildren Colton and Madilynn Lowrance. A talented chef and superb dancer, Joe was devoted to his family and a true gentleman. A hero in the eyes of his family, Joe's service to our country reminds me of a passage in James A. Michener's great classic, "The Bridges at Toko-Ri".

"Why is America lucky enough to have such men? They leave this tiny ship and fly against the enemy. Then they must seek the ship, lost somewhere at sea. And when they find it, they have to land upon its pitching deck. Where did we get such men?"

ENRON GREED

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 8, 2002

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, memos released this week by the FERC, confirm what those of us from California long suspected: Enron reaped millions upon millions of dollars off the backs of Californians by manipulating the energy market, cheating consumers, and lying to energy regulators and the State. Recently released internal documents clearly illustrate Enron's strategies to game the energy trading system. The Enron documents describe knowingly and consciously submitting false information to the State in order to increase energy prices.

Enron's overwhelming greed is beyond outrageous; it may be criminal. Clearly, the billions of dollars stolen from Californians must be returned. It is also imperative that FERC reopen California's long-term contracts to prevent us from being further gouged.

Throughout the California energy crisis the Governor of California joined with the majority of California's congressional delegation to call on the Federal Government to do something to stop price manipulation. I want to share with

my colleagues an editorial from today's Los Angeles Times, that sums up the consequences of Federal inaction.

[From the Los Angeles Times, May 8, 2002]

MAKE ENRON PIRATES ANSWER

It was a scam after all.

As California faced desperate electricity shortages in 2000 and 2001, power giant Enron was manipulating the market to drive up prices and turn modest power shortages into critical ones. This arrogant behemoth, since brought down by its own hubris, toyed with the public health and safety of California to boost its own profit, and there's finally a smoking gun to prove it.

Internal Enron documents released by the bankrupt company's new management describe these unethical, if not illegal, trading practices in detail and indicate that other companies were doing the same thing. All the while, everyone from Enron's then-chief Kenneth Lay to Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham and regulators who should have smelled a rat were saying it was all California's fault. For failing to build enough power plants. For adopting a power deregulation plan that wasn't free-market enough. For environmental laws with a Malibu mind-set.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission refused to accept its legal responsibility to rein in a wildly out-of-control market. Ultimately, commissioners said, the free market would work. For California, that meant a year of crisis, of rolling blackouts, of one major utility going bankrupt and another flat broke, of the state doling out \$6 billion to buy daily power and an additional \$40 billion for long-term contracts at what we now know are grossly inflated rates. FERC finally acted out of political necessity; it was too little, too late.

The Enron memos go on in pages of sneering, "gotcha" detail about such things as how to get paid for not putting any energy on the grid. In another ploy, the firm would buy power in California at a capped price of \$250 a megawatt-hour and resell it in Oregon for \$1,200—at a time when California was flirting daily with blackouts. The schemes had cute names like Death Star and Fat Boy.

When California complained and Gov. Gray Davis denounced the energy manipulators, an Enron official said, "California is trying to perpetuate the greatest political dodge of the last 100 years."

Yes, deregulation was flawed, California was short of power plants and a drought in the Northwest had reduced hydroelectric power. Davis was slow to react to the crisis. But these factors alone did not cause the state's power costs to go from \$7 billion in 1999 to \$27 billion the next year.

FERC should help the state obtain substantial refunds from the power-generating companies that charged exorbitant prices. The state has asked for \$9 billion, an amount that federal regulators had deemed far too high but that they now should regard as just about right.

The Justice Department should investigate possible criminal violations. The state should demand that all of its long-term contracts, signed under the duress of the inflated market, be nullified and renegotiated without delay. And FERC should extend its modest market controls beyond the present Sept. 30 expiration. Electricity is vital to public welfare. It must not be held hostage by manipulators piously invoking the free market.

They scoffed in Washington and Houston when Davis called the energy manipulators pirates. Now we know why he was right.

CELEBRATION OF ST. LUKE'S
HOUSE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF
HELPING PATIENTS BECOME
PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS

HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 8, 2002

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate "Three Decades of Hope" at St. Luke's House (SLH) in Bethesda, Maryland. SLH helps patients released from psychiatric hospitals to live and work successfully in their communities by offering integrated mental health services and community resources.

St. Luke's House was founded in 1971, by St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The programs offered by SLH include supported living, life skills training and vocational rehabilitation, and 24-hour crisis care and services for youth with serious emotional disabilities. Currently, SLH provides care for over 800 youth and adults. To accomplish its programs, SLH operates 31 group homes and apartments in the community. It has helped more than 4,000 individuals return to an active community life.

There are four basic programs SLH provides individuals under its care. The Psychiatric Rehabilitation Program which offers individuals supported living opportunities, residential rehabilitation assistance, back-to-work skills, and a life skills building program. The SLH Mental Health Clinic provides mental health services to the public and patients in other SLH programs. Its McAuliffe Crisis House is a voluntary community-based residential alternative to inpatient hospitalization. The Career Transition Program is a joint endeavor between SLH and Montgomery Public Schools that help high school students with serious emotional disabilities to receive counseling and vocational training.

The efforts at SLH have raised public awareness of an ever increasing mental health issue. Its continued success is due to the hard work of SLH staff and volunteers that give thousands of hours to make this ministry beneficial to SLH residents and community. St. Luke's House is fortunate to have the leadership of Ms. Pam K. Cudahy as President and CEO as it moves ahead in meeting the needs of people in the 21st century. Our community is richer because of the residents and staff of St. Luke's House.

TYRANNICAL NEW LAW ALREADY
BEING ABUSED

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 8, 2002

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I was saddened to read an article in the Times of India showing that India's repressive new "Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance" (POTO) is already being abused. The new law allows the police to hold someone without charges for up to 180 days, according to the Washington Post.

According to the article, a court granted bail to a POTO defendant named Abdul Ahmed Bhat and granted him bail of Rs 2,500. The judgment shows how the police are abusing POTO. The police filed two varying reports against Mr. Bhat, abusing the process to make certain that he stayed in police custody. The official police reports exonerates Mr. Bhat of the charges against him, while the investigating officer's report implicates him.

Unfortunately, this kind of abuse is typical of the Indian government. The Rashtriya Swayamsewak Sangh (RSS), a hardline, militant Hindu fundamentalist organization published a booklet on how to implicate Christians and other minorities in false criminal cases. The RSS is the parent organization of the ruling BJP, which sponsored and passed POTO.

Mr. Speaker, we must not support this kind of tyranny. We should end all our aid to India until it ends. We should also put ourselves on record in favor of self-determination for everyone in the subcontinent by means of a free and fair, democratic vote on independence for Khalistan, Kashmir, Nagaland, and the other nations seeking their freedom from India.

Mr. Speaker, I would like the permission of the House to insert the Times of India article into the RECORD for the information of my colleagues.

[From the Times of India, Apr. 3, 2002]

POTO MISUSED BY POLICE IN BHAT CASE

SRINAGAR.—Two varying police reports by the same investigating officer prompted the special court to grant bail to Abdul Ahmed Bhat on Monday. Bhat, a resident of Ahmad Nagar, was booked under the Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance (POTO) under FIR No 12/2002 at police station Soura.

The special court had granted bail to Bhat against a bond of Rs 25,000.

The judgment points a finger of suspicion at the police for misuse of the prevention of terrorism law—despite the Centre and the state government's assurance for its fair use to tackle terrorism across the country.

Announcing the judgment on Monday, special Judge M I Qureshi said: "After close and minute examination of the two police reports and case diary that the prima-facie case under Sections 3 and 21 of POTO is made out against the accused persons except Abdul Ahad Bhat."

The judgment further reveals that there were variations in the two police reports about the date of Bhat's arrest. Also, the police report exonerates Bhat from the implication of alleged offences, while the second report submitted before the court on March 14 by the investigating officer of his own, implicates him (Bhat) for the alleged offences.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO TODD
SALIMAN

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 8, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the efforts of State Representative Todd Saliman and his efforts to improve the lives of his fellow constituents and the State of Colorado. Todd has served in the Colorado General Assembly since 1994 and has dedicated countless hours of his time and energy to his position and constituents. Now, after eight years of service, Todd is retiring and I am honored to take this time to thank him for his service to Colorado.

Todd is a native Coloradan whose family has lived in the state for generations. During his tenure as a representative, he served on many committees including the Joint Budget Committee, Finance, Appropriations, and Local Government committees. Throughout his time in the legislature, he has championed the issues of health care, children and families, the environment, education, and transportation. He is known throughout the community as a devoted husband and a proud father of

a new son, and is often found providing his support to the board of directors at the Developmental Disabilities Center and was instrumental in the assembly for securing funds for children's and senior's health services.

Mr. Speaker, Todd's hard work in the legislature has not gone unnoticed during his tenure and he has been recognized repeatedly over the years for his legislative accomplishments. Today, I continue to honor his service by thanking him for his devotion and dedication to his community, his state, and his nation. Thanks for all of your hard work Todd, and good luck in your future endeavors.

COACH MIKE DAVIS AND THE
INDIANA HOOSIERS

HON. JULIA CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 8, 2002

Ms. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize that the Black Coaches Association will honor Indiana University's Head Coach Mike Davis as the "Male Coach of the Year" during their national convention to be held in Indianapolis this weekend.

Mr. Speaker, my heartfelt and enthusiastic congratulation is extended to Coach Mike Davis and the Indiana University Basketball Team for their achievements in this year's NCAA Final Four Tournament.

Coach Davis started his coaching career as Alabama's assistant basketball coach in 1995, and remained with the program until 1997.

In 1997 Coach Davis became an assistant coach for the Indiana University basketball program.

On September 10th, 2000, Coach Davis became the interim men's basketball coach at Indiana University.

With only a month to prepare for the 2000–2001 season Davis led the Hoosiers to a 21–13 record, a runner-up finish in the Big Ten Tournament and an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament.

Displaying leadership, unwavering faith, and heart throughout the 2001–2002 season, Coach Davis led the Indiana Hoosiers to their first NCAA Final-Four appearance since 1993, narrowly missing the championship.

Coach Davis makes it no secret that he is a religious man; in fact the Christian faith permeates his entire life including basketball.

The Indiana University basketball team has voluntary chapel each week at Eastern Star Church in my district where Coach Davis is a member.

Coach Davis believes unto whom much is given much is required. He is a cheerful and generous philanthropist. For example, Coach Davis donated to non-profit organizations the bonus he received for leading Indiana to the Final Four. His gifts helped to enrich the lives of many.

Coach Mike Davis and Indiana University are to be congratulated for reminding Hoosiers and basketball fans everywhere that leadership, faith, and determination are products of achievement.

Mr. Speaker, to Coach Davis, keep up the good work and congratulations on your award and great season!

Your spirit has enriched the lives of countless individuals, especially the young people.